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BIRTH.

On the 15th February, at 21, Quinsan Road,
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daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On the 5th January, at the Parish Church, S.
John-at-Hackney, by the Rev. E. J. Newell, B.A.,
THOMAS JAMES SMITHIES, of Shanghai, to ADA,
youngest daughter of the late WILLIAM HENRY
BROTHERTON, M.R.C.S. London, L.R.C.P., etc.
On the 15th February, at St. Joseph's Church,
Shanghai, by the Rev. Father Kennelly, S.J.,
MARGUERITE BARRERA, youngest daughter of F.
G. MACHADO, to CARLOS MIGUEL, younger son of
A. M. DA SILVA.On the 18th February, at St. John's Church,
Hankow, by the Rev. J. A. Ingle, M.A., Bishop
of Hankow, and the Rev. A. B. Sherman, B.A.,
Chaplain of the Port, HANCOCK CRUZ SENGCO,
youngest son of the late THOMAS CHARLES BELL,
of Eastbourne, to EDITH MARY, youngest daughter
of the late Rev. JOHN MORTIMER STEPHENS,
of Bristol.

DEATH.

On the 17th February, at the Nursing Home,
Shanghai, ROBERT HAMILTON MOOREHEAD, older
son of THEODORE MOOREHEAD, Foochow, aged 21
years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CH.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 24th February, 1903.

The future of Weihaiwei as a commercial port is, of course, bound up with the action the British Government intends to take as to its defence. From many points of view the port offers advantages as a commercial emporium not to be lightly thrown away; but in the present position of affairs in the Far East it would be the height of folly to expect any considerable amount of capital to be sunk in a port liable without notice to be bombarded by a Russian fleet from Port Arthur. As a commercial harbour, with the works we have already pointed out as necessary for its protection as a powerful naval base in northern waters, Weihaiwei Bay is nearly perfect, affording as it does on the mainland ample accommodation for wharves, godowns and residences, without the drawback of having to pay heavy port dues and duties on entrance, as for the future will be the case in all Chinese ports. In this respect Weihaiwei stands in the same position as Hongkong. There is, it may be said, absolutely no local trade with the interior, the portion of the Shantung Peninsula lying close by being very restricted in area, and of itself offering no commodities for export. On the other hand it is most admirably situated for a distributing centre, being in immediate connection with and almost equally distant from each of the ports of entry of the Gulf of Pechili, Tientsin, the mouth of the Yalu River,

Newchwang, Chingwantao, Taku, Yancheng, Keo at the mouth of the Yellow River, Laichow-fu and Chefoo, are all important contributing ports; none of them capable of being reached by ocean steamers, but all accessible to coasting craft. In addition to these Chinese ports, equally accessible are the ports on the west coast of Corea, up to this time strangely neglected by British steamers; Pingyang, Chemulpo, Mokpo, &c., and of all these Weihaiwei is the natural centre. As trade is at present conducted, Shanghai has become the distributing centre for the Gulf ports; but Shanghai though well suited as a trading port is wanting in the facilities possessed by Weihaiwei, as it is precluded from direct access with the smaller ports; and even with Tientsin and Chefoo, the only ports capable of trading with Shanghai direct, the comparative smallness of the steamers necessitated causes the charges from Shanghai to the port of delivery frequently to exceed the cost of conveyance from Europe. Of course, on the other hand, in favour of Shanghai is the fact that all steamers trading with Europe make use of the Suez Canal, and carry their cargo optional for Hongkong or Shanghai. The Chinese, too, with their trading instincts always gravitate to the largest ports, where the amount of goods centred affords them a wider choice and enables them to make a larger market. This position of affairs cannot be looked upon as permanent. The trade of the Gulf of Pechili is sufficiently great, and its nature sufficiently distinct from that of the Yangtze provinces, to favour direct importation; especially when the difference of trade charges between shipping to a free trade and transshipping at a Chinese port like Shanghai is taken into account. This difference will be still further increased in the not distant future, when the opening of the Panama Canal, now being seriously taken in hand by the United States Government, will emphasise the advantage to Great Britain of having in North China a port of distribution equally well suited to the requirements of trade, as she at present possesses for South China in Hongkong. As a fact when the opening of the Canal becomes an accomplished fact, the exigencies of trade will compel the United States to afford the same facilities as are at present offered by the Suez route. Looking then merely to the trans-Pacific passage to China, it will be seen that Weihaiwei will have a distinct advantage in point of accessibility over the southern colony. Of course it by no means follows that because Weihaiwei must, if sensible counsels prevail, increase and multiply, Hongkong need have any fear of the competition being injurious to its interests. Hongkong from its position must continue to be the emporium for all the Suez Canal traffic, and this must of necessity include the whole or nearly the whole of the Mediterranean trade. It must also be always the terminus of an increasing amount of the Australian trade, as well as of the whole of the Indian. In addition to this, Hongkong and Weihaiwei at the extreme south and north respectively must, when in free hands, develop an enormous amount of local trade. In every way, looking at the affair in a broad and Imperial light—whether we consider Weihaiwei from a military, or from a commercial standpoint—we must see in the new possession the natural supplement to Hongkong, each being in its own way especially suited to meet the natural needs of the other.

Yesterday being the anniversary of George Washington, the warships in the harbour were dressed with bunting and a salute was fired at noon.

Two dollars was assessed as the value of a cat which Wong Wo stole from another lighterman on Sunday. At the Police Court yesterday the feline fancier was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

Tak Hing, a coolie, appropriated a dollar's worth of worsted from a bag lying on one of the wharves at Kowloon on Sunday, and paid the penalty at the Magistracy yesterday in a month's "hard."

The P. & O. steamer *Valetta*, with the English mail of the 30th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, at noon, and may be expected here on Saturday, at about 6 a.m. Replies are due to correspondence despatched hence on the 29th December.

The bodies of three Chinese dead of plague were picked up in different parts of the City during the two days ended at noon yesterday. The total number of plague cases for the week ended Saturday last was three (all Chinese, and all fatal), of enteric fever two (European), of scarlet fever two (European), and of smallpox two (both Chinese, and both fatal).

Among the list of the passengers who left yesterday by the French mail steamer *Salacia* we notice the name of Dr. Arango, of the Macao Board of Health, who goes home together with his family on a well-deserved furlough. He left Macao on Sunday at 2 p.m. by the s.s. *Wing Chai*; at the wharf an immense crowd of people were present to wish him *bon voyage*. A good number of friends came over with him and accompanied the popular doctor on board the mail steamer. Dr. Arango was much esteemed, both in Macao and in Timor.

Commodore and Mrs. Robinson intimate that their "at home" in the Dockyard is postponed till the first Wednesday in April.

A telegram dated New York, 23rd January, says:—Mr. W. J. Travis, while golfing on the Garden City Links, yesterday, drove his ball 382 yards. This is claimed to be a world's record.

The death is reported at home of General Sir Charles Barnston Daubney. From 1818 to 1869 he was Inspector of Army Clothing, became major-general in 1868, lieutenant-general in 1877, and general in 1880. He served in the first China War in 1841-42, and also in the Crimea.

A French senator asked the Minister of War that the Algerian troops who guarded the Tonkin frontier during the troubles in China in 1900 should have the China medal granted to them. The Minister replied that only those troops actually landed in China were qualified for the medal.

To the members assembled in the Union Church on Sunday morning last, the Rev. C. H. Hickling made the announcement that impressed by the growth of population and the success of the Sunday School inaugurated in October, 1902, the Session had determined to commence Sunday services in Kowloon forthwith.

The King has given permission to Mr. William Henry Stone, Foreign Secretary in the Department of Communications of Japan, to accept and wear the Cross of Commander of the Royal Danish Order of the Dannebrog, conferred upon him by the King of Denmark in recognition of valuable services rendered by him on the occasion of the visit of Prince Valdemar of Denmark to Japan.

Sir Ernest Satow, H.B.M.'s Minister at Peking, who arrived in London on the evening of the 15th ult. from China, on leave, was included in the King's guests on the 17th ult., when he proceeded to Sandringham. During the evening the King invested Sir Ernest with the insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Sir Ernest returned to town on the 19th and was to remain in London till the end of the month, when he was to leave for San Remo, Italy, making a stay of some six weeks.

The Naval and Military Record says:—The *Ocean*, which is now the best shooting ship in the service, will remain at Hongkong until her relief crew is sent out. On the conclusion of the pre-arranging on the station, Vice-Admiral Sir C. A. Bridge, Commander-in-Chief, went on board the *Ocean* and presented the captain and officers with the China Squadron Challenge Shield, which was presented by Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour. This was in marked contrast with the slight offered the trophy last year when a signal was made to the *Terrible* to send a boat to the ship, which was then lowered into the boat with no more reverence than if it had been a sack of flour.

The Superintendent of the Alice Memorial and Netherole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Building Fund of the Netherole Maternity Hospital:—

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Writing on the 23rd ult. the *L. & C. Express* said:—We note by recent Hongkong papers to hand that the shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company have emphatically rejected the dock extension scheme put forward by the directors. We do not propose to enter into the merits of the case, but we should imagine from the tone of the meeting that the directors were hopelessly out of touch with the feelings of the shareholders, whose action virtually constituted a vote of want of confidence in those directors who put forward the proposal. It is rather surprising that in a company like the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company such a situation should have been created between the directors and shareholders, and the logical outcome would seem to be the resignation of the Board, at least as to some of its members, who, in the face of the evident opposition of the bulk of the shareholders, persevered with a scheme which the business sense of the community condemned. The only other thing that strikes us is that in this matter of the dock extension the Government of the Colony has somewhat over-reached itself. We agree with the view taken locally that had the Government been content, when the idea of making another dock at Hungfong larger than the Admiralty Dock was first brought forward, to charge a nominal price for the land, or rather water, required, without burdensome conditions, which it had no right to insist upon, it would have effected the sale and been receiving the Crown rent for this large area, with further revenue in prospect in the shape of rates when buildings had been erected. The opinion seems to be that there is now no chance of any person or body applying for the area in question, as it would be suitable only for a dock, and if the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company will not take it for the purpose no one else is likely to do so.

The Emperor of Japan intends to review the Japanese Fleet at Kobe on April 10th.

The new coins to be turned out by H.E. Yuan Shikai's mint includes Keping tal pieces, a little larger than the present Mexican, 50-ta-cent, 20-ta-cent, and 5-ta-cent pieces, with three kinds of copper coins, 20-cash, 10-cash, and 5-cash pieces, but only 10-cash coins will be minted at the outset.

Three more Vice-Consuls have been appointed to the local German Consulate-General, says the *Shanghai Mercury*, namely, Baron von Gotsch, for fifteen years connected with the Foreign Office; Dr. Rössler, who last served at Barcelona; and Dr. Busse, hitherto attached to the German Consulate in Genoa.

On the 11th inst., the occasion being the anniversary of the foundation of the Dynasty, the Emperor invited the principal Japanese and foreign officials to attend the ceremonies at the Palace, including a banquet at which His Majesty drank cups of *sake* with the foreign representatives as well as with his Japanese guests.

A correspondent writes to us to point out "the absurdity of calling the port by the prolonged name of Weihaiwei." The last syllable he says, applied to merely the native town and fort, which have lost any utility they may have once possessed. The remaining syllables of *Weihai*, meaning as they do "sea-commanding," are admirable in themselves and sufficiently suited as the full name of the port and settlement.

The *Sin Wan Pao* says that it has been the established custom of Kwangtung to have a census taken of the males and females within its precincts at the end of every year. Last year the statistics presented to the Viceroy and Governor and to the Peking Government by the Kwangtung Provincial Treasurer stated that the male population of that province was 14,944,544 while the female population was 14,515,594, making a total population of 29,460,138 in that province.

It has already been mentioned by us that two or three of the larger steamers now running on the Imperial mail service of the North German Lloyd are to be taken off the run. We notice that the *Japan Gazette* states that the steamers in question are the *Konig Albert* and the *Princess Irene*, which are to be transferred to the service between Mediterranean ports and New York. Our Yokohama contemporary understands, however, that the steamers will run to the Far East in the spring and fall of each year.

The death is reported of Mr. Robert Hamilton Moorehead, the elder son of Mr. T. Moorehead, of the Imperial Maritime Customs, Foochow. The *N.C. Daily News* reports that the deceased came down from Hankow to Shanghai to undergo an operation and was apparently recovering from the effects of the operation with every favourable sign. But hemorrhage supervened, and death ensued on the 16th inst. Mr. Moorehead was only in his twenty-fifth year, and it is doubtful, our contemporary says, whether among all the young men in North China, one could be named more popular than "Bobby" Moorehead.

On her 70th birthday next year the Empress Dowager of China should receive a present of 100 golden Buddhas, the same thing having been done (as the *N.C. Daily News* explains) upon the attainment of the seventieth birthday anniversaries of the Emperors K'ang Hsi and Chien Lung. Then the weight of the golden Buddhas was no less than, say, fifty taels weight each, but the impoverished state of the exchequer in Peking and the exceedingly high price of pure gold preclude this at the present day, and so it has been suggested that from their ancestral hoard and the golden hoards of their husbands, Manchou and Mongol Princesses and Duchesses shall contribute the precious metal for the casting of the Buddhas in question, but, of course of a size much smaller than those made over two centuries ago.

Admiral Thomas Sammaré, C.B., a naval officer who saw much active service in China and South America, died at Ramsgate on the 22nd ult. at the age of 75. Admiral Sammaré commanded the *Cormorant* at the attack on the Pei-ho forts on May 20, 1858, when she forced the boom across the river, an action for which her commander was highly commended in despatches and specially promoted to the rank of captain at the age of 31. He was afterwards present at the operations before Canton, and at the attack and destruction of Nantow he commanded the brigade of seamen leading the assault. This concluded his active service career, for in 1870 he retired from the Navy, but three years later his great services in China were further recognised by the award of the Companionship of the Bath. He was made a rear-admiral on the Retired List in 1876, vice-admiral in 1881, and admiral in 1886.

The Odessa correspondent of the *Times* writes:—I am informed by a Russian naval officer just returned from Vladivostok that the Russian authorities are engaged on a plan for equipping the whole length of the navigable Amur with a flotilla of specially-constructed gunboats. My informant adds that, in view of the strategic value of the Amur, at the entrance to which stands Nikolaievsk, the vicinity of this port will be mined and Nikolaievsk fortified and equipped to enable it effectively to command the entrance of the frontier waterway. Thus, not content with the strength of her military position along the Manchurian frontier, Russia would seem about to dominate perpetually both banks of the Amur by purely naval units, while, with the entrance at Nikolaievsk adequately defended, she would hope to secure herself from the possibility of a successful invasion of the waterway by a light-draught foreign flotilla.

The Rev. Edward A. Wicker, B.D., formerly of Oland, Ontario, has been installed as permanent pastor of the Kobe Union Church.

An interport football match between Kobe and Yokohama teams took place on the 14th inst. at Yokohama, resulting in a win for the home team by 3 goals to 1.

The *Ostasiatische Lloyd* reports that the new German railway in Shantung is making rapid progress; the first consignment of coal from the Wolstein district has arrived there.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—Kwok Ching Chun, \$50.

According to a Peking despatch, the Commander at Moukden telegraphs that Russian troops in Shingking and Kirin are to withdraw by the 1st of March. The second evacuation will be effected by the 8th of April.

The contract which the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha has with the Korean Government, securing a monopoly of the output of ginseng for three years, is now expiring, but the M.B.K. says a Japan paper, has the option of renewal upon terms to be mutually arranged, and negotiations to this end are now in progress.

A special despatch to the *Shanghai Times* dated Cheongtu, January 28, says:—The notorious female leader of the Boxers in this province, Liao Kwai Yin (Liao, the Goddess of Mercy) who was some time ago incorrectly reported to have been slain in a battle with the Imperial troops, fell into the hands of the soldiers under Magistrate Tien Tzu Feng, only a few days ago, and was subsequently decapitated.

A cablegram from New York announces the death in that city of Mr. Julian Ralph, the widely-known journalist. Mr. Ralph travelled all over the world, principally for *Harper's*. He saw the China-Japanese war, and went back and wrote a book called *Atone in China*. He went to England in 1896 for the *New York Journal*, and went to the Greco-Turkish war, where he surveyed events from Osman Pasha's travelling carriage, which he had looted.

DROWNING FATALITY.

The authorities at the Central Police Station reported yesterday that a Chinaman, supposed to be a passenger on the steamer *Jardanus*, was drowned in the harbour on Sunday afternoon. It is not known how the man came to be in the water, but when he was seen an European quartermaster on the steamer dived to his rescue. The Chinaman, however, sank before he could be reached.

OSAKA EXHIBITION.

A recent visitor to the Osaka Exhibition grounds says that work is proceeding briskly in readiness for the opening on 1st March. On entering the grounds a *fac simile* of Nagayo Castle is seen, the interior of which will be fitted up as a bazaar. Near it is the industrial and agricultural building, and the fine art building is behind that. Other buildings are devoted to machinery, transportation methods, etc. The grounds are tastefully laid out, European fashion, while fountains and statues add beauty to the scene.

HOCKEY.

CLUB 1st XI v. H.M.S. "GOLIATH."
A good game between the above two teams was played yesterday, and resulted in a victory for the Club by 5 goals to 2. The *Goliath* opened the scoring, but the Club soon equalised by the assistance of Woodhouse. Maxwell-Scott, who was playing a very strong game, now gave the *Goliath* the lead, which Carter soon reduced, the score at half-time being two all. On resuming, the Club pressed hard, and Woodhouse scored two more goals and Cartell one. The *Goliath* had hard luck now and then, one or two shots going dangerously close. The Club played very well together, and in the forward line, besides those already mentioned, Meaden and Barnes were prominent. At half, Carter played a very strong game. The backs were almost impregnable and Parker in goal cleared well. For the *Goliath*, Maxwell-Scott, Richards and French were very good, while St. Clair in goal repeatedly saved the hard shots the Club forwards from time to time sent in.

SHOOTING AFFRAY.

The police are investigating a case of alleged shooting at San Tsai, in the New Territory opposite Copsimun, on Saturday, as the result of which two Chinamen, following the occupation of ballast-boats, are lying under treatment in the Government Civil Hospital for wounds in the leg. So far as we have been able to gather, the circumstances of the affair appear to be as follows:—The two victims were employed on different boats, and did not visit the village at the same time. The first boat sailed for ballast sometime in the forenoon, and, according to the story related to the authorities, it no sooner approached the beach than the villagers fired upon the crew. Only one was hit, in the leg, as we have indicated, and the others immediately pulled back into the stream out of danger, making for Hongkong. Some time later the second boat pulled ashore at the village also for ballast, and its occupants were treated to exactly the same reception, with a result similar to that in the previous case—one man wounded in the leg. The militant village people were left to themselves, and at a later period a police launch took on board the injured man from each ballast-boat and conveyed them ashore and to the hospital. No arrests had been made up to yesterday.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.
BRITAIN AND THE EAST.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 22nd February, 9.30 p.m.

STRONG PRESS OPINIONS.

The Press does not regard Lord Cranborne's exposition of British policy in the Middle and Far East as reassuring. The *Times*, in the course of a leading article, pessimistically remarks that we do not want to see the pitiful story of our policy in China repeated in South Persia.

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 22nd February, 9.30 p.m.

THE NAVY—BELLEVILLE BOILERS
DISCARDED.

Mr. H. O. Arnold-Forster, replying in Parliament to Sir William Allar, said that the Admiralty was now fitting every new warship with a mixed type of cylindrical boiler. The Belleville boiler has been totally discarded.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 21st February.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The last of the Burger Camps in the Transvaal has been closed.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

The correspondent of the *Graphic* at Garre, 10th instant, states that the Mullah has concentrated his whole force at Dohol, sixty miles south-west of Beledue, and that cholera is rife among his followers. This is a serious matter for the British advance owing to the danger of all the wells having been contaminated.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The Brough Company gave a second performance of the four-act comedy *The Second in Command* last evening before a well filled house. All the parts were admirably sustained.

To-morrow night the third change in the Brough programme will be made, when *Lady Huntworth's Experiment*, a farcical comedy in three acts by E. C. Carton, will be presented for the first time in this city. It will be remembered that several of this author's works have already been played in Hongkong, notably *Liberty Hall*, *Lord and Lady Algy*, etc., etc. This latest effort from his pen was a great success at the Criterion Theatre, where, under the management of Sir Charles Wyndham, it occupied the boards for nearly two years. It is said to abound in smart dialogue and laughable situations, added to which the action of the piece is developed with delightful briskness.

The experiment of Lady Huntworth, who had been divorced, was that of earning her own living. The lady had had no special training but, having developed a taste for the culinary art, secured, with the assistance of an aristocratic friend, a situation as cook in the home of a kind-hearted vicar. She is the exact opposite of the "cook lady" in *Why Smith Left Home* and quickly becomes the reigning power in the vicar's household. Captain Dorvaston, a visitor at the vicarage, has made the acquaintance of a man, "a devilish little little beggar," and the two are together to have a look at a horse. This individual, Lord Huntworth, is found to be suffering a recovery from an attack of *delirium tremens* and right through the piece displays a character which, while providing good ground for the divorced woman to sanction collusion to secure the decrees, is in strong contrast with the other personages in the play. The curtain falls upon a prospect of much merriment, which is fully realised during the second act. An early morning wedding, a "scene" in the vicar's library, and some explanations occupy the third act, the closing situation being one which seems to point to the late cook at the vicarage making, in the near future, another and different experiment with a success not achieved on the first occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Brough are both provided with excellent parts in the new play, and the remainder of the characters will be filled by the principal members of the Company. *Lady Huntworth's Experiment* will run for three nights, and be followed on Saturday next by *Mrs. Dane's Defence*, a powerful play by Henry Arthur Jones, author of *The Liars*.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Valetta* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., at noon, with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 23rd inst., at about 6 a.m.
The Indo-China steamer *Suiang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., at daylight.
The N.Y.K. steamer *Kumano Maru* (Austrian Line) left Manila for this port on the 22nd inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow, at noon.
The N.Y.K. steamer *Kinshu Maru* (Hambay Line) left Shimonsu for this port on the 23rd inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 1st prox.

NOTICE.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

COMMODORE and Mrs. ROBINSON'S "AT HOME" in the Dockyard is POSTPONED till the First WEDNESDAY in April. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [630]

FIRST-CLASS BOARD & RESIDENCE.

"ST. GEORGE'S HOUSE," 2 & 4, KENNEDY ROAD. Excellent table, Every home comfort. Well furnished rooms facing the harbour. For terms, apply to—

Mrs. G. SACHSE, "St. George's House," Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [632]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 10 per cent. per Share and BONUS of 1 per cent. per Share for the six months ending 31st December, 1902, declared at the Ordinary Yearly Meeting held this day, will be payable at the Premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [627]

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at Noon, on THURSDAY, the 1st MARCH, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 12th MARCH, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [626]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship "NAMSANG," Captain Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 25th inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [624]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "THALES," Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 10 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [629]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship "LOONGSANG," Captain Weigall, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., at 2 P.M. This Steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [625]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA GENOA.

THE Steamship "GLENGYLE," Captain T. Darke, R.N., will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 28th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW, General Managers. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [628]

STEAMSHIP "ERNEST SIMONS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex s.s. *Adour*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville de Rochfort*, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before 2 P.M., to-day, the 23rd inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 2nd March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd March, or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 2nd March, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [2]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT WANTED.

BY SINGLE GENTLEMAN, One or Two ROOMS (without Board) in Central locality. Queen's Road Central preferred. Reply by letter to—

Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [631]

ENTERTAINMENT.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG. Under the direction of Mr. ROBERT BROUGH. Representative... Mr. ALLAN HAMILTON.

TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY), 24TH FEBRUARY.

THE BROUGH COMEDY CO. "THE SECOND IN COMMAND."

LAST NIGHT! LAST NIGHT! OF "THE SECOND IN COMMAND."

(By arrangement with the author.) A Military Comedy in Four Acts, by Captain Robert Marshall.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), THURSDAY, 25th, 26th, and 27th FEBRUARY, First Production in China of "LADY HUNTWORTH'S EXPERIMENT."

(By arrangement with the author.) A Farce in Three Acts, by R. C. CARTON.

SATURDAY and MONDAY NEXT, the 28th FEBRUARY and 2nd MARCH, First Production in China of "MRS. DANE'S DEFENCE."

(By arrangement with the author.) A original play in Four Acts, by Henry Arthur Jones, author of "The Liars."

Box Plans at ROBINSON'S, where seats can be booked six nights in advance. Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls, \$4.00. Stalls, \$2.00. Back Seats, \$1.00. Doors Open 8.30. Curtain 9. Chairs, etc., at 11.30. Late Train to the Peak as usual. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [612]

PUBLIC LECTURE. The Reverend Dr. FENTECOST, D.D., LL.D., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture on "THE REASONABLENESS OF CHRISTIANITY," in the CITY HALL, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 25th FEBRUARY, at 5.15 P.M.

The undersigned will take the chair. The public are invited to this meeting. H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong Odd Volumes Society. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [618]

TO BE PUBLISHED SHORTLY.

A NEW STREET INDEX, BY ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Government Assessor.

Intending Subscribers are requested to send, as early as possible, Orders for as many copies as they may require, to THE GOVERNMENT ASSESSOR, The Treasury, Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [575]

NOTICE. On and after the 1st March next and until further notice the Price of BREAD will be TEN CENTS PER POUND.

HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY CO., LTD., LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [615]

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MAIL TABLES. THE Card published at the Daily Press Office contains—

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1903.

NOTICE. MILK SUPPLY DEPOT, 20 & 22, COCHRANE STREET.

HAVING started the above Dairy, the undersigned solicits the patronage of the public.

Orders sent to the above address will be promptly attended to. Prices, 10 Cents per 4 Imperial Pints. J. F. E. ROZARIO, Manager. Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [587]

FOR SALE. "STONEHAVEN" ROBINSON ROAD, Nos. 6 and 10, ROBINSON ROAD, HOUSES IN LEIGHTON HILL ROAD and CAINE ROAD.

AHMED RUMJAHN, 62, Queen's Road. Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [585]

BOETHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the BOETHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, at 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [586]

DAVID CORSAIR & SON, MERCHANT NAVY, NAVY BOILER, LONG PLANK, RELIANCE CROWN, TARPULING, ARNOLD, KARBURG & CO., Sole Agents.

40, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

FURNITURE STORE, FASHIONABLE CENTRE CARPETS, ELECTRO-PLATE, LIQUOR FRAMED and BUCHOW LACQUERED WARE. Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [295]

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12.30 P.M., near the Fountain, opposite the City Hall, SEVERAL WALTERS and CHINA PONIES.

To follow the Sale of "BRILLIANT." Owners of Walters and Ponies wishing to enter their animals for this sale are requested to do so before Noon TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), DO NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY. Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [616]

"BRILLIANT" Winner of Hongkong Derby and Garrison Cup 1903, with an unbeaten record, will be put up to PUBLIC AUCTION at the FOUNTAIN in front of the City Hall, TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 24th inst., at 12.30 o'clock. Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [691]

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at THIN-TSA-TSUI on Marine Lots 4 and 5, About 2,500 Tons CARDIFF COAL, Powell Duffry's Mine, in good order and condition, in lots of 250 tons each.

TERMS:—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [558]

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. E. CORNWALL LEWIS, to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 5, SALISBURY AVENUE, KOWLOON, THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Comprising:—

DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON, and BRASS BEDSTEPS, TABLES, OVERMANTELS, SIDEBOARDS, WARDROBES, WASHSTANDS, LAMPS, CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE, WRITING TABLE, BOOKCASES, RATIAN FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, CUTLERY, COOKING STOVE, PLANTS and PALMS in POTS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued. Terms:—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [596]

PUBLIC AUCTION. SILK EMBROIDERIES, TEMPLE BROCADES, AND FINE ART CURIOS.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY, 1903, commencing at 2 P.M. sharp, at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A Large Assortment of EMBROIDERIES, BROCADES AND CURIOS, Comprising:—

SILK EMBROIDERED WALL HANGINGS, BED COVERS, CUSHION COVERS, DRAPERIES, TEMPLE BROCADES, SILK KIMONOS, &c., &c.; CLOISONNE, SATSUMA, OLD and NEW BRONZES, LACQUER-WARE, OLD WOOD CARVINGS, PORCELAIN, &c., &c.

ARTISTIC CUT VELVET PICTURES by "Nishimura." On View from Friday, the 27th February. Catalogues will be issued. Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. F. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [617]

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PUBLIC COMPANIES.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, THIS DAY (TUESDAY), the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the proposed Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution:—

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

(a) In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."

(b) In Article (88) the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [474]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [476]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary. Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [444]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE. THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES numbered 3882/5889, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Late E. ABRAHAM, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

NOTICE. THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG CLUB on SATURDAY, 14th MARCH, at 9 o'clock P.M.

Any Devonians wishing to attend are requested to communicate with the undersigned. MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [597]

CARTRIDGES. NOBEL'S SPORTING BALLISTITE. Absolutely Smokeless and Water-resisting. The Best NITRO-POWER in the WORLD. PRICE OF 12 CARTRIDGES:—

Loaded with "W" Powder Powder only, and 1 oz. of Shot. Primrose Cases...\$8.25...\$8.00. Pegamoid Cases...6.55...6.60. Ejector Brass Cases...7.50...9.25.

Apply to—WM. SCHMIDT & CO., Gunmakers, Hongkong. Hongkong, 3rd July, 1902. [165]

NOTICE. H. WEISMANN, Proprietor of the Hongkong Bakery, begs to notify his Hongkong Customers and the public in general that he will OPEN on 1st MARCH, or as soon after as possible, a DEPOT in connection with his Bakery, at No. 13, WELINGTON STREET (next door to Ramsey & Co. bicycle shop, D'Almeida St.), to enable his customers to more easily obtain their Bread and Cakes, &c.

This Depot will be fitted up as a Refreshment Room, and Tea, Coffee, Chocolate, Mineral Water, Ice Creams, Cakes, &c., will be always ready.

Mr. WEISMANN has had experience in the Pastry Cook and Refreshment business in Australia and America as well as in Europe, and thoroughly understands the requirements of the business.

H. WEISMANN. Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [537]

PURE FRESH WATER. THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LTD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY of PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager. 1st Floor, 37, Connaught Road. Hongkong, 13th June, 1902. [338]

RUINART PERE & FILS, REIMS. Established 1719, CHAMPAGNE GROWERS AND SHIPPERS. Ship only the Finest Quality Extra Dry (Green Seal) &c. C. HIGLEY & CO., Sole Agents. Hongkong, 17th May, 1902. [14]

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL...\$10,000,000. RESERVE FUND...\$10,000,000. STEERING RESERVE...\$10,000,000. SLAVE RESERVE...\$5,000,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS...\$1

INSURANCES

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1892. [25]
SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

RODZ. JACOB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [29]
NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Undersigned Agents of above Company are prepared to accept First-class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

TURNER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [249]
NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1901.
£15,722,693.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000 0 0
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000 0 0
PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0
II. FUND... 2,695,548 5 2

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [1736]
AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO.

OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [1113]
GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

OF DRESDEN.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1902. [2327]
PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES OF INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAIRDALE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [28]
THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

Cash Security... £285,719
Total Losses Paid... £3,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1902. [142]
SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON.

FOUNDED 1710.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [26]
NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May 1895. [27]
CARBOLINEUM-AVENARIUS.

USED FOR OVER 25 YEARS.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot, and Dampness.

LUTIGES, EINSTAMM & CO., Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [134]
FOR SALE.

ONE NEW EDISON (LATEST No. 71) OSCILLATING MIMOGRAPH, with ACCESSORIES.

THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD., Apply to.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1903. [427]
NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WANG HING, JEWELLER, has REMOVED on the 11th FEBRUARY to No. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (opposite Messrs. KELLY & WALSH).

Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [472]

SIEN FING, SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free. Hongkong, 22nd September, 1892. [252]

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account from Messrs. Houston & Kidd, civil engineers, for work done since the year 1900. They were first employed during the days of our former chief manager, and as there appears to have been a considerable amount of work done prior to the time that most of the present members of the Board had any dealings with it, and the account was not rendered in such a condition as to warrant your present Board in approving the same, the matter has been held in abeyance for settlement during the present period, and will no doubt receive the earnest consideration of your directors. With regard to the profit on the *Kinshau*, I think your able chief manager and the staff are not likely to take a contract unless there is going to be a profit. Concerning the amount of \$20,000 to contributing shareholders, this is spread over the whole year. Nothing was voted during the first half of the year, but at the end of the second half we voted \$20,000 to extend over the whole year. I may mention that during the second half of the year shareholders contributed over 70 per cent. of the gross earnings, and I find that this was also the case during the first half of the year.

Mr. FREDERICKS—Will you kindly give me a more definite answer as regards the manager and the staff not taking contracts on which no money was made? Your answer was not very definite.

The CHAIRMAN—I must rule you a little bit out of order there in asking the directors to say in public meeting whether or not they have ever undertaken work on which a loss resulted. There are certain items of business with every concern that are not made public (hear, hear), and I think the majority of the shareholders present will agree with me that there are certain items, especially, surrounded as we are with such a field of competition, connected with the inner workings of our concern that for our benefit should be kept to ourselves. By "ourselves" I mean you, gentlemen, and there is no reason why any individual shareholder should not go to the office at any time and get information that he would personally like for his own information, of course, and not for publication in the Press or to the detriment of the Company.

Mr. FREDERICKS—Do you mean that if you come here to enquire into this, you will have access to the books?

The CHAIRMAN—No, sir.

Mr. FREDERICKS—Will any such information be given privately?

The CHAIRMAN—Yes, sir; if you undertake not to publish it, and the balance of the members of the Board are satisfied that they can give you the information without detriment to the Company.

Mr. FREDERICKS—But it seems to me that you indicated in your first answer that there was a profit made on the *Kinshau*.

The CHAIRMAN—The statement is not completed yet. Something might happen. We might lose a lot of money if a serious accident happened.

Mr. FREDERICKS—But barring accidents?

The CHAIRMAN—Barring accidents, I think we are fairly safe. I think I intimated that.

Mr. FREDERICKS—Yes, you did, but I only wanted to know whether or not you did make any profit.

There being no further remarks on the report and accounts.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, I beg to move the adoption of the report and accounts. As some members may like the item of the dividend fund disposed of separately, my motion will be the adoption of the report and accounts, leaving out the question of the dividend fund.

Mr. H. HUMPHREYS—I beg to second the motion. It seems to me that there is very little reported from me in the way of comment. The proposal to inaugurate a dividend fund should commend itself to shareholders, and I trust the same idea which prompted the movement will influence the directors in seeing that no unnecessary extravagance or unnecessary expenditure is carried on in the Dock itself. (Applause.)

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. B. MICHAEL—We have very carefully considered the report and accounts submitted to us, and there is no guiltingly the fact that they are very disappointing; they are the worst we have had for several years. Even in 1899 when our capital was nearly a million dollars less than it is now, we had better returns. Our profits were \$1,015,000 and \$892,000 respectively, against the \$737,000, which the accounts of 1902 show us to-day with exchange 30 per cent. lower than in those years. Bearing in mind that meanwhile the business of the Company has increased to a considerable extent, the fact that you could not do better now than show us such poor results implies that there is "something rotten in the State of Denmark"; there must be mismanagement somewhere, and we think it is your duty to find out on whose shoulders the responsibility rests, and to put an end to this miserable state of affairs. If all we hear is true, the management and the staff are all at sizes and sorrows. We have a well-tried staff who, under the capable management of the late Mr. Gillies, worked harmoniously and contentedly to the great benefit and advantage of the Company. All this seems to be altered now. We have had several resignations, thereby losing in some instances the services of old experienced servants, who were, so to speak, most valuable assets of the Company. We shareholders feel that all these things must be enquired into and explained, and we hope the directors will take this task in hand seriously as soon as possible. There is one matter upon which the shareholders will be glad to receive some information. I refer to the case of the *Maria Jensen*. It seems that through carelessness on the part of somebody in the employ of the Dock we were let in for a large loss. Can the directors enlighten us as to the amount of our loss? And who is the person to blame? With regard to the proposal for a dividend fund, in the face of such mismanagement as we think must exist, it cannot commend itself for acceptance. The European staff is well paid. Some think that one of them at least is far too well paid. They are an intelligent body of men, well able to look after themselves, and know exactly what to spend and what to save, and if they do not, it is not our fault. There is no need of making this grandmothers provision for them, and the present occasion is certainly not the right one for considering it. Rather let us as in the past pay a bonus to the staff when we have a good half-year. It is folly to bind ourselves and our successors to this extra outlay. One suggestion I should like to make to the directors: seeing that we are paying a great portion of our expenses in gold, it seems to me very desirable that our charges and tenders should be placed on a similar basis. Though rather late in the day, it will protect us from losses through a drop in exchange between the

time of presentation of our bills and that of payment, and it will further enable shipowners to make a more ready comparison of the cost of the work done here with that of work done in Japan and at home. I strongly urge this upon the consideration of our directors.

The CHAIRMAN—Mr. Michael and gentlemen, the remarks you have made, which do not deal directly with the question we are now considering, namely, a dividend fund for the European staff, will no doubt receive the attention of the directors for the future. I think I am safe in telling you, however, that in a good many of the items you have mentioned what you fear and also what you state is not correct. The matter of making our charges on a sterling basis is a matter which, as I mentioned in my speech, has been receiving for some time, and will continue to receive, the serious consideration of your directors, and as we are all shareholders, too, I think your directors will give the matter such serious consideration as will result in the best interests of the Company. I may say that some of our contracts, taken where the contractors lived outside the Colony, have been made in sterling. For instance, the two new large steam lighters we have under construction, which I mentioned in my speech, were contracted for in sterling. With regard to the unfortunate accident to the *Maria Jensen*, as the result of the typhoon, I do not know that any of us here are responsible for the typhoon, or possibly the ability or the opportunity being given us to avoid the damage that occurred to that vessel. The result was that there was a loss to the Company—a small loss; it was under \$5,000, notwithstanding the fact that the ship had to be kept—a valuable ship like that—under repairs for so much longer, as the result of the accident. Now, with regard to the dividend fund, you made a statement that it was going to prove more burdensome to the Company than continuing as we have in the past. On looking back, I see that we began paying our staff bonuses in the year 1895; that was the first year in which we paid them a bonus. We paid them a bonus that year of \$20,000; that amounted to 15 per cent. of their salaries. In 1896, the next year, we paid a bonus of \$20,000, which also amounted to 15 per cent. of their salaries. In 1897 we did not feel we were justified in paying any bonus, but in 1898 we paid them a bonus of \$20,000, and that amounted to 15 per cent. of their salaries. In 1899 we paid them a bonus of 12 per cent. on their salaries, in 1900 of 11 per cent., and in 1901 of 10 per cent. on their salaries. Your directors after considering the matter very carefully, and not settling it at one meeting, for our deliberations extended over three or four months, decided that it would be more satisfactory to all concerned, if it was satisfactory to the employees, to have a dividend fund that would enable us to render some assistance and be ourselves possibly in no worse position than before, but in a better position, inasmuch as there would be no excuse then for employees, in terminating their services with the Company, in indigent circumstances, coming to us and asking for pecuniary assistance, as has been the case in the past. It is on account of this that the directors selected this as the best way out of the difficulty, but it is for you here to-day, gentlemen, to decide, and if there is anyone else who would like to make a few remarks on the subject before I put the matter to the meeting, we will be glad to hear them.

Mr. MICHAEL—The mere fact that you admit that the shareholders have been so liberal in giving bonuses in good years to the employees is in itself a guarantee that we are always willing to give a bonus in good years, but not with miserable accounts like these. Our exchange has gone down 30 per cent. and our profit has gone down. Our capital was \$1,500,000 in 1898; now it is 2½ millions. Exchange has gone down 30 per cent. and our profit has gone down very much. And now we are going to bind ourselves and future shareholders to a fixed bonus. We are always willing to give a bonus in good years, and the proof is there—that we have been liberal in the past. One other thing I should like to say. You have assured us that the loss on the *Maria Jensen* was \$5,000. Do we understand that that was the total loss? Some are estimating the loss at \$25,000, some at \$30,000 and some at \$40,000. Now it is estimated to be \$5,000 and I should like a repetition of this statement. Did you make a profit, and besides making a profit was this \$5,000 lost, or do you mean to say that you have done the work for nothing and that after doing the work for nothing there was a loss of \$5,000 against the shareholders? I should like a very clear answer, because there is a rumour that the damage was \$25,000 to \$40,000.

The CHAIRMAN—Referring to your first question on the dividend fund, in 1896 when we voted that bonus to the staff on that profit of over one million dollars for each half-year the appropriation to shareholders was only \$50 per share on the present subdivided basis, as against \$8 now; and that might have influenced the bonus to the staff. With regard to the *Maria Jensen* unfortunate affair, of course when I said there was a loss to the Company of about \$5,000 I did not mean to convey that there was a profit and then a loss. There was an actual loss to the Company of \$4,500.

Mr. MICHAEL—That is doing the work for nothing!

The CHAIRMAN—Our profit was eaten up by the necessary repairs.

Mr. MICHAEL—Then the answer is that we docked the *Maria Jensen*, employed our men, and lost \$5,000. This is not proper book-keeping. The whole loss should be shown in the accounts.

The CHAIRMAN—As I said before, it is not advisable always to give public broadcast information concerning the inner workings of a concern, where there is so much competition to contend with, for it might prove detrimental to the Company, and that is one point which influenced the directors in this matter.

Mr. MICHAEL—I am not seeking for information of that kind. But this was a most unfortunate piece of carelessness on the part of somebody, and we are shareholders and partners in the Company and ought to be taken into confidence and shown the right thing. I am not seeking information to publish, but take me into confidence and show me the right thing. That is all I am seeking. This is a most unfortunate thing. The shareholders have to pay for it, yet the staff want a bonus of 5 per

cent from us. I simply speak logic before the directors and you can think of it yourselves.

Mr. E. A. HEWETT—I understand, Mr. Chairman, that the question of the dividend fund has been proposed and seconded in the regular way and that you are just going to put it to the vote?

The CHAIRMAN—It has not been proposed and seconded.

Mr. HEWETT—But it is not customary to allow discussion until the motion is regularly put.

The CHAIRMAN—Will any shareholder make the motion?

Mr. HEWETT—I will read the resolution as coming from a private shareholder. I beg to propose that the recommendation of the directors for the inauguration of a dividend fund for the benefit of the Company's European staff be adopted on the lines suggested by the directors. It appears to me, gentlemen, that the points raised by Mr. Michael rather obscure this question. Mr. Michael spoke on behalf of "us shareholders." I think there are a good many people in the room who like myself do not agree with everything he said. With regard to the accident to the *Maria Jensen*, I fancy it was largely due to the typhoon. How the shareholders or the directors or anybody else can be held liable for that I do not know. But that is not the question. The question is that it is proposed to start a dividend fund for the benefit of the European members of the staff. The question of dividend funds for the employees of big public companies is one which has been steadily growing in favour all over the world. In many parts of the world—particularly in our own country—dividend funds are provided, and it is a customary thing for the company to provide roughly about the same amount as is contributed by the individual employees of the company. I think the proposal of the directors on this respect is an eminently reasonable one and should obtain our full support. The amount is not much. The Chairman has shown that on an average, if, as we hope, the prosperity of the Company continues, the amount subscribed by the shareholders will be less than was formerly subscribed as a bonus. If it is necessary in the interests of a company—because the interests of a company and of the employees are identical—to found a dividend fund in Europe surely it is much more so in a country like this where Europeans work very long hours, sometimes too, on Sundays, in a climate in which they are not suited by birth and are in every way handicapped. A similar system, I may remark, was brought into force by the Telegraph Company some years ago, and other companies have done the same. It is not only because the proposal comes from the directors but because it is in the interests of the shareholders that I very strongly recommend that this proposal should be adopted, and I hope it will be carried by a large majority. (Applause.)

Mr. E. HUMPHREYS seconded.

Mr. W. PARLANE—Mr. Chairman, A great deal has been said about this dividend fund and about coupling it with the bonus. Is it understood that if this dividend fund proposal is carried, the bonus hitherto paid at the end of successful years will be abolished?

The CHAIRMAN—Abolished, yes.

The motion was then put to the meeting, and a show of hands taken, with the result that the motion was lost.

The next business was the confirmation of the appointment as directors of the Hon. C. W. Dickson and Messrs. C. Michelson and J. H. Lewis. This confirmation was made, on the motion of Mr. W. PARLANE, seconded by Mr. W. A. CRUICKSHANK.

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Mr. E. A. HEWETT—I understand, Mr. Chairman, that the question of the dividend fund has been proposed and seconded in the regular way and that you are just going to put it to the vote?

The CHAIRMAN—It has not been proposed and seconded.

Mr. HEWETT—But it is not customary to allow discussion until the motion is regularly put.

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ORIGIN	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	WORTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA GENOA.	GLENGYLE	Brit. str.	—	T. Darke, R.N.R.	McGregor Bros. & Gow	On 28th inst.
LONDON, AC. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BANGA	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 4th March, at Noon.
LONDON VIA GENOA.	DIONE	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 7th March.
LONDON	MACHON	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 17th March.
LONDON	GLACUS	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 31st March.
LONDON	PINGSUEY	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 14th April.
LONDON	JASON	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 20th March.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 28th April.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 28th inst.
MARSEILLES & ANTWERP	PIERREUS	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 7th March, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	E. L. Sommer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th March, at Noon.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	—	E. Frohn	MELCHERS & CO.	On 3rd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FRED. LARSEN	Ger. str.	—	Fuchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	—	von Doehren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	—	Kirchner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KONIGSBERG	Ger. str.	—	Mayer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEBASTIA	Ger. str.	—	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	—	Jager	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 26th inst.
HAVRE, COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS.	KOREA	Rus. str.	—	Pennit	MELCHERS & CO.	On 11th March, at Noon.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	GIBRALTAR	Brit. str.	—	D. Morris	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 11th March, at Noon.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March, at Noon.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	On 11th March, at Noon.
VANGUOVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EXPRESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	On 11th March, at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ACHILL	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March, at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	IYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March, at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHANMUT	Brit. str.	—	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 11th March, at Noon.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRAPURA	Brit. str.	2 m.	Hollingsworth	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 28th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	2 m.	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 5th March, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	CANDIA	Jap. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th March.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HONDA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Murai	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
KOBE, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK	SAVOIA	Ger. str.	—	Rehbeimund	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 11th March.
KOBE	CHINTU	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KIMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. W. Haswell	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
TIENTSI	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	On 11th March.
TIENTSI	KANSU	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
CHINKIANG	SECHUEN	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	KWELIN	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SHANGHAI	MAZON	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SHANGHAI	VALETTA	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SHANGHAI, DALY & PORT ARTHUR	SULLY	Ger. str.	1 m.	Mayer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 11th March.
TAMU, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	T. Ogata	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	I. Goto	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th March.
FOOCHOW	PAKHOI	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	MAIDZURU MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
AMOY, SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HA CHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 11th March.
SWATOW	THALES	Brit. str.	2 h.	Robson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 11th March.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KUTKIANG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
MANILA	ROHILLA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	E. P. Bishop	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
MANILA	SURUGANG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
MANILA DIRECT	RUMI	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 11th March.
MANILA	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. W. Almond	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 11th March.
MANILA	LONGHANG	Brit. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—	Weigall	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 11th March.
MANILA DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	2 m.	R. Edgar	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th March.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	SANDAKAN	Ger. str.	—	Schaur	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 11th March.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA	NAMANG	Brit. str.	—	Geo. Payne	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 11th March.
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY	TIENTSIN	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th March.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Kori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. L. Pyne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th March.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 23, CHUYEN, Chinese str., from Canton.
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Feb. 22, TAIWAN, British str., from Canton.
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Feb. 23, BOMBAY MARU, Japanese str., 3,388, T. Murai, Bombay 2nd Feb. and Singapore 10th, General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Feb. 23, CHOWAT, German str., 1,115, H. Texter, Bangkok 15th Feb., Rie—N. D. LLOYD.
Feb. 23, ERNET SIMONS, French str., 2,162, Dupuy Freres, Marseilles 23rd Jan. and Saigon 20th Feb. Mails and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
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23rd February.
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Hwang, British str., for Kobe.
Kure, British str., for Canton.
Michael Jensen, German str., for Hoihow.
Pissanulok, German str., for Swatow.
Rajaburi, German str., for Hoihow.
Sku'd, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
Thyng, German str., for Wuku.
DEPARTURES.
23rd February.
HAILAN, French str., for Hoihow.
LOONGMOON, German str., for Shanghai.
NASTOR, British str., for Shanghai.
23rd February.
HERMES, Norwegian str., for Canton.
HANSANG, British str., for Kobe.
KWELIN, British str., for Canton.
OCEANIC, French str., for Europe.
PISANULOK, German str., for Swatow.
RAJABURI, German str., for Hoihow.
TEMUYA MARU, Japanese str., for Saigon.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

23rd February.
ANCHORED DOCKS.—Irydano, An Plo.
K. W. DOCKS.—H. G. M. S. Iltis, Kishan. Company de Filipinas, Sherman, Loden, Secard, Hololet, Isla de Cuba, Savaria.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Rausang, Delphine.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer Cherkiz, from Bangkok 15th Feb., had strong N.E. winds and heavy sea.
The British steamer Moyune, from Moji 19th Feb., had fresh N.E. winds and fine, clear weather.
The British steamer Taisan, from Saigon 16th Feb., had fresh N.E. monsoon, hard squalls and rough sea.
The Japanese steamer Teirugian Maru, from Moji 17th Feb., had N.W. gale of wind and quail weather, accompanied by hail on the 18th 25 19th, noon. From 19th to 21st light N.E.

wind and fine, cloudy weather. From 21st to 23rd, morning, strong N.E. monsoon and fine weather.

VESSELS PASSED ANKER.

Feb. 1, British str., Irydano, Fan-set, from London for Batavia.
Feb. 3, Dutch str., Solo, Engelsman, Feb. 3, from Batavia for Rotterdam.
Feb. 4, Dutch str., Princes Sophie, Vorsteegh, Feb. 4, from Batavia for Amsterdam.
Feb. 4, Dutch str., Meropi, Ulema, from Rotterdam for Batavia.
Feb. 7, British 4-m. barque, Daylight, Roode, Jan. 12, from Hongkong for New York.
Feb. 8, Danish barkentine, Ringhild, Juliusen, from Bangkok for Lisbon.
Feb. 8, Dutch str., Koningin Regentes, from Amsterdam for Batavia.

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	3,882 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April.
R.M.S. "TARTAR"	4,425 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 6th May.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 13th May.
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	3,882 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 27th May.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 3rd June.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 24th June.
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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at NOON.
K. Kori	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at DAYLIGHT.
IYO MARU	U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at 4 P.M.
BOMBAY MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb. at NOON.
T. Murai	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Feb. at DAYLIGHT.
INABA MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Feb. at NOON.
KUMANO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Feb. at NOON.
E. W. Haswell	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at 4 P.M.
KASUGA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	WEDNESDAY, 4th Mar. at 4 P.M.
H. Fraser	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 7th Mar. at DAYLIGHT.
KINSHU MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	WEDNESDAY, 4th Mar. at 4 P.M.
F. L. Pyne	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 7th Mar. at DAYLIGHT.
HAKATA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	WEDNESDAY, 4th Mar. at 4 P.M.
F. Sommer	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 7th Mar. at DAYLIGHT.

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OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE
OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

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"INDRAPURA"	4,399	A. E. Haylingworth	February 23, 1903
"INDRAPURA"	4,399	M. P. Craven	March 16, 1903
"INDRAPURA"	4,399	W. E. Craven	April 16, 1903

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ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [14]

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
TAMU, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 1st March
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"ANPING MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 25th February
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"MAIDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 4th March

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. T. ARIMA, Manager. [15]

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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
* SHAWMUT	W. M. Smith	9,606	February 25th
* LYEA	Williams	4,417	March 10th
* VICTORIA	J. Panten	3,502	March 17th
* HYADES	G. Wright	3,753	March 24th

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FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 23rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 26th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 11th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 25th March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.
LONDON	"GLAUCUS"	On 31st March.
LONDON	"PINGSUEY"	On 14th April.
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 20th March.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"DEUCALION"	On 23rd April.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRRHUS"	On 28th February.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via Kobe and YOKOHAMA	"ACHILLES"	On 24th February.

The S.S. "ACHILLES" left Singapore on the 17th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 26th inst.

The S.S. "KINTUCK" left Singapore on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 26th inst.

For Freight, apply to
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Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [10-12]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 24th February.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	On 24th February.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KUIKIANG"	On 24th February.
FOOCHOW	"PAKHOI"	On 25th February.
TIENTSIN	"KANSU"	On 26th February.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 26th February.
SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	On 27th February.
CHINKIANG	"SZECHUEN"	On 3rd March.
AMOI, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 6th March.
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 16th March.

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ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	On 6th Mar., at Noon.
DIAMANTE	1880	A. H. Noddy		
PERLA	1880	J. McGinty		

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ROSETTA MARU	N. Tate	3876	Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [478]

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [568]

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YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, MOJI and KOBE	CANDIA	About 24th February	Freight only.
(Passing through the Inland Sea)	E. G. Andrews		
LONDON, &c.	BENGAL	Noon, 29th February	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	MAGAZO	About 28th February	Freight only.
	G. Phillips, D.M.S.		
SHANGHAI	VALETTA	About 29th February	Freight or Passage.
	W. B. Palmer		
LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MAESSILLES	BANCA	Noon, 4th March	Freight only.
	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.		
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	TIRNIST	About 6th March	Freight only.
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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [456]

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [3484]

FOR SHANGHAI, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR.

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